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Amendments to the Specification

Please replace the paragraph beginning at line 11 of page 10 as follows:

In the illustrated embodiment, the distal diameter D2 is less than the proximal diameter D1. In some embodiments, the distal diameter D2 can be about one-third less than the proximal diameter D1. In some embodiments, a distal cross-sectional area can be about one-third less than a proximal cross-sectional area. In a particular embodiment, the proximal diameter D1 can be about 1.5 millimeters, while the distal diameter D2 is about 1.0 millimeters. The use of diameter is illustrative of a round wire, although other shaped wire can be used with commensurate change in cross-sectional area.